

### WHAT WOULD YOU DO?



CLAUDETTE COLBERT and WARREN WILLIAM in "IMITATION OF LIFE" - UNIVERSAL

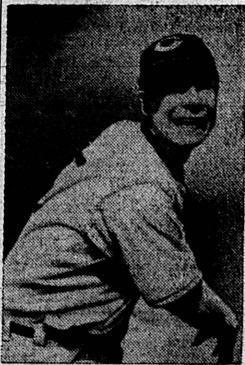
What would you do if you were a widow who had fallen desperately in love for the first time in your life and were planning on an early marriage to the man of your heart, only to find that your 16-year-old daughter, ignorant of the true situation had fallen no less desperately in love with the same man?

This is the situation which confronts Claudette Colbert in "Imitation of Life," the Universal John M. Stahl production feature picture at the Torrance Theatre tonight, Friday and Saturday (return engagement) with Miss Colbert in the starring role and Rochelle Hudson as her daughter.

This is only one of the several poignant problems presented in "Imitation of Life," adapted from the novel by Fannie Hurst. In addition to Miss Hudson the cast supporting Miss Colbert includes Warren William, in the leading male role, Baby Jane, three-year-old starlet; Ned Sparks, Louise Beavers, Alan Hale and Henry Armetta.

Blending every possible element in entertainment through its dramatic twists, the play deals with a popular artist in Vienna, who through a flirtation paints a married woman's picture which accidentally gets into print. Hunting a model to serve as an allie he finds the demure companion of a countess. When he falls in love with her, a jealous sweetheart, his previous escapades, and other troubles provide a complication that runs from whimsical comedy to a vivid dramatic climax.

### Lomita Team To See How Joe Does It



Members of the Lomita baseball team will be guests of the Lomita Theatre management tonight for opening performance of Joe E. Brown in his latest home-run comedy, "Alibi Ike."

On the same bill at the Lomita for three days starting tonight, appears Paul Muni in his latest picture, "Black Fury."

COMPLETE COVERAGE All Torrance Herald ads run in the Tri-City Shopping News without extra charge.

### "Escapade" Is Luring Tale Of Vienna

Philandering of a debonair artist in Vienna, complications over past love affairs and a scrape over the portrait of a married woman that gets into print are among the details that provide a story of whimsical humor and gripping drama, luring music and Continental romance, in "Escapade," Metro-Goldwyn-Mayer's engaging new production starting Sunday at the Plaza Theatre, Hawthorne.

William Powell provides a clever performance as the chief figure in the cocktail of mirth and romance, which serves to introduce a striking new personality in Luise Rainer, brunette stage star from Vienna who makes her screen debut as his leading lady. Robert Z. Leonard's direction is unusually skilful, and spectacular musical interludes introduce compositions by Walter Jurmann and Bronislaw Kaper, European composers of Jan Kiepura's hits.

While not a musical, the picture has several big musical interludes. The great opera scene in which the voice of Enrico Caruso lives again in specially amplified recordings, the music hall where Lorraine Bridges sings the new song hit, "You're All I Need," and the grand ball provide brilliant episodes in the luring new picture.

The companion picture at the Plaza for the three-day bill starting Sunday brings Richard Dix in "The Arizonian."

### PAUL MUNI NOW AT LOMITA



Paul Muni, sensational character actor who scored such outstanding recognition in "I Am a Fugitive From a Chain Gang," "Bordertown" and "Scarface," will be seen at the Lomita Theatre, tonight, Friday and Saturday in his latest picture, "Black Fury," which is a startling, colorful drama. He is supported by a tremendous cast.

### Three Big Attractions Now Playing At Plaza, Hawthorne



Alice Brady in Hilarious Scene From Comedy-hit, "Lady Tubbs."

Love will find a way. And if that old proverb fails to work, one can always fall back on a rich aunt with a forceful personality—always provided, of course, that one has such a thing available. Blonde, lovesick Anita Louise was fortunate in having the aunt in the person of Alice Brady, former camp cook who had inherited half a million dollars and had determined that her niece should marry the man she loved, whether his snobbish parents desired it or not.

This is one of the amusing situations in "Lady Tubbs," the hilarious Universal comedy now playing at the Plaza Theatre, with Miss Brady starred and Douglas Montgomery and Anita Louise in featured roles.

### Fanchon and Marco Ballet Feature At Hollywood Bowl

Another spectacular ballet, a concert version of Verdi's "Traviata," and the conducting and playing of Jose Iturbi, dynamic Spanish conductor-pianist, are featured highlights of the sixth week of Symphonies Under the Stars in Hollywood Bowl.

Coming west after successful conducting visits in New York's Lewisohn Stadium and Philadelphia's Robin Hood Dell, Iturbi is returning to Hollywood Bowl by popular request of the thousands who heard him last summer. He will conduct August 20, 22, 23 and 27.

Francesca Braggiotti, who has presented ballets three times previously in the Bowl, will be star.

red Thursday night in the Fanchon and Marco production of "Sumurun," a ballet pantomime directed by Gene Lockhart, famous on stage and screen. The orchestra will be conducted by Victor Hollander, who wrote the music for the original production directed in Europe by Max Reinhardt.

Pietro Cimini, who so successfully directed the concert version of "Aida" in the Bowl last month, will conduct "Traviata" featuring Emily Hardy, Ruth Terry Koechig, Felix Knight, Richard Bonelli and John Ellis.

Felix Slatkin, youthful violinist who has scored in the East, will be the soloist July 20, Iturbi conducting.

Wheat Flauts Tiller, ELK HORN, Iowa (U.P.)—George L. Jorgensen, Jr., Elk Horn farmer, has a two-acre wheat field which will yield 30 bushels an acre although the soil was neither plowed nor seeded.

COMING ATTRACTIONS At the Torrance Theatre next week, the features on Thursday, Friday and Saturday, are the tenebrous musical show, "In Calinet" and "Men Without Names."

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### Small Town Scandal-mongers

Small-town scandal-mongers—both male and female—who devote their lives to listening in on party wires and spreading news about other people's business form the theme of the Columbia production, "Party Wire," co-starring Jean Arthur and Victory Jory, which is scheduled at the Torrance Theatre on Tuesday and Wednesday.

Jory, a native son, returns to the village of Rockridge after a seven-years' absence and discovers that the telephones are buzzing as viciously as ever. His romance with Miss Arthur, who has always adored him, is seriously complicated by jealous mothers who had hoped to ensnare him for their daughters.

Erle Kenton directed "Party Wire" from Ethel Hill and John Howard Lawson's adaptation of the best-selling novel by Bruce Manning. He selected a capable supporting cast, which includes Charley Grapewin, Helen Lowell, Clara Blandick, Maude Eburne, Matt McHugh, Geneva Mitchell, and Oscar Apfel.

### LOVE, DRAMA AND MUSIC



William Powell, Luise Rainer, Frank Morgan in "Escapade"

Romance, drama, gaiety and music mingle in a unique blend of entertainment in "Escapade," Metro-Goldwyn-Mayer's gay Continental drama playing at the Torrance Theatre Sunday and Monday. The unusual story, through original dramatic twists, maintains steady action in which every possible element of entertainment from grand opera to whimsical comedy is logically and naturally introduced.

With William Powell heading the cast as a whimsical artist whose past feats as a Lothario land him in trouble, the picture introduces new personalities and new ideas. Luise Rainer, brilliant Viennese stage star, makes her debut on the American screen as his leading lady.

Caruso's Voice Recorded Through modern sound recording magic, the voice of Enrico Caruso, amplified from his records, lives again in a faithful reproduction in the operatic scenes. Companion picture is "Don't Bet On Blondes," starring Warren William and Guy Kibbee.

Birthday Changes States

MACY, Neb. (U.P.)—Ask W. R. Lewis, president of the Lewis and Clark National Park Association, where he was born and he'll not know what to say. The house in which he was born was on the Iowa bank of the Missouri River. The channel has changed and the site now is on the Nebraska side.

### Bitter Court Battle Over Child



May Robson, Paul Lukas, Madge Evans in "Age of Indiscretion"

A prominent publisher, divorced from his wife, takes his small son to the mountains for the Christmas holidays. His attractive secretary follows them there to deliver a business message, and is persuaded to stay overnight. On Christmas morning the three are romping through an innocent pillow fight when the mother of the man who married the divorced wife appears at the door. This circumstance leads to one of the most bitterly-fought and sensational legal battles for the custody of a child ever brought into the American courts, for the old lady, one of the wealthiest and most influential women in the country, has determined to take the boy away from his father, and uses the situation in the mountain cabin as an excuse.

Paul Lukas has the lead in this heart-gripping story, "The Age of Indiscretion," coming to the Torrance Theatre next Tuesday and Wednesday. Madge Evans is the self-sacrificing secretary, May Robson the determined mother-in-law.

Recognizing the attractiveness of the new cafe, an agent for the National Touring Guide of America has asked Mrs. Miller's consent to have her restaurant appointed the official cafe in Torrance.

### Miller Cafe Now In New Quarters

Mrs. Helen Miller announces the removal of her restaurant from 1927 Carson street to 1646 Cabrillo avenue. The new location has been re-decorated and equipped with new fixtures. A novel feature of the new quarters and one which will be greatly appreciated by the public is the furnishing of a waiting room, or lobby, where anyone waiting for motor buses or street cars are welcome to rest.

Mrs. Miller has lived in Torrance for 16 years and extends a hearty invitation to her many friends to come in and inspect her well-ventilated and cool dining room and kitchen. Home-cooked food and courteous waitresses who will give prompt service to patrons are provided in the new restaurant, Mrs. Miller states.

DUTCH LUNCH and free dancing VERY POPULAR

The free Dutch lunch and dancing every Sunday afternoon at the Club Cafe, 15331 South Vermont avenue, Gardena, has proven to be a great success, according to Leon P. Wilson, manager.

Two orchestras are featured every Sunday, one playing for the matinee dance from noon until 8 o'clock in the evening, which is replaced by the regular orchestra which plays until the crowd leaves early Monday morning. Both the Dutch lunch and dancing are free.

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Matinee Saturday, 2:15 P.M. Continuous Sunday from 2:15

Thurs., Fri., Sat., Aug. 15-16-17

PAUL MUNI in "BLACK FURY" and JOE E. BROWN in "ALIBI IKE"

Free picture of Joe E. Brown to all kids Sat. Mat.

Popeye Cartoon and Serial Lomita baseball team will be guests of mngm. Thurs. nite

Sun., Mon., Tues., Aug. 18-19-20

AI JOHNSON & RUBY KEELER in "GO INTO YOUR DANCE"

and JACKIE COOPER in "DINKY"

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Wed. (1 Night Only) Aug. 21

Surprise Added Attraction ARLINE JUDGE in "COLLEGE SCANDAL"

Comedy, Cartoon, Metro News

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Thursday, Friday and Saturday, August 15, 16, 17

"Black Sheep" With EDMUND LOWE and CLAIRE TREVOR \* AND \* RETURN ENGAGEMENT "Imitation of Life" With Claudette Colbert and Louise Beaver

Sunday and Monday, August 18, 19

"Escapade" with Wm Powell and Louise Rainer \* AND \* "Don't Bet On Blondes" With Warren William and Guy Kibbee

Tuesday and Wednesday, August 20, 21

"Age of Indiscretion" With Paul Lukas and Madge Evans \* AND \* "Party Wire" With Jean Arthur and Victor Jory

Thursday, Friday and Saturday, August 22, 23, 24

"In Caliente" \* AND \* "Men Without Names"

### Announcement—

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Friday and Saturday, August 16, 17 \*\*\* 3-BIG ATTRACTIONS-3 \*\*\*

FRED McMURRAY in "MEN WITHOUT NAMES" and ALICE BRADY in "LADY TUBBS" Special Added Attraction

World's Heavyweight Championship Wrestling Match "LOPEZ vs. MAN MOUNTAIN DEAN"

Sunday, Monday and Tuesday, August 18, 19, 20 WILLIAM POWELL in "ESCAPADE" and RICHARD DIX in "THE ARIZONIAN"

Wednesday (One Day Only) August 21 BETTE DAVIS in "THE GIRL FROM 10th AVE." and JEAN ARTHUR VICTOR JORY in "PARTY WIRE"